The American Legion Post 164

Minutes of Membership Meeting on January 27, 2021

6:30 Social without food or drinks.

7:00 Post Everlasting for; Henry Thomas and Ron DeFoor

Membership meeting called to order by Commander McGuire at 7:35pm

Order of Business

Officer Roll Call:

All Officers are Present

Review of minutes of previous Membership Meeting on October 28, 2020 were read. Review of minutes of Executive Committee Meeting on January 13, 2021 were read.

Introduction of guests; Harry Woodstrom Past Commander, Butch Sparks National Executive Committee Member, Will Miller Past Commander, and Ernie Cormier Past Commander.

7 prospective new members were present and they introduced themselves. Harry Woodstrom motioned to accept and process their applications, motion was 2^{nd} by Tony Hart, no discussion, motion passed.

Awards or Member Presentations; Jim Scoggin was the winner of the Raffle fishing trip drawing.

Reports:

Finance Officer; Our banking report shows an ending balance of \$4,617.24 cents.

Sergeant at Arms; 24 members present.

Sick call, relief and unemployment; No Report

Service Officer; 14 Veterans were assisted with filing for Military Records and other forms.

1st Vice Commander; Our Commander explained the membership report and we are above goal.

2nd Vice Commander; No Post Dinner this year and the Firefighter, EMT, and Police awards will be presented during our February Membership Meeting.

Judge Advocate; The Contract for rental of our Post will be presented at the February meeting.

Boys State; The applicant information packets were sent to all local High School counselors.

Honor Guard; 4 Funerals, 1 Flag Ceremony, for 75 Service Hours.

Board of Trustees; Our small conference room is almost finished.

Public Relations; Currently working on several video projects to market our Post to Veterans, also publishing the future Blood Drive here at our post.

Baseball Program; Katy Pony League team is what the post will sponsor with t-shirts and caps.

Jody Castro motioned for \$325.00 to pay for these items, motion 2^{nd} by Harry Woodstrom, no discussion, motion passed.

Initiation of Candidates:

None at this time.

Unfinished Business;

None at this time.

New Business, Correspondence, and Announcements

Harry Woodstrom motioned that the Post Pay their monthly rental for the year at one time, motion 2nd by Butch Sparks, no discussion, motion passed.

Harry Woodstrom motioned to Pay our Insurance, motion was 2^{nd} by Wally Klekar, due to discussion motion was tabled to next meeting for more information. Harry Woodstrom motioned to form a Motor Pool Committee, motion was 2^{nd} by Forrest Croom, no discussion, motion passed.

Announcements:

Veterans Breakfast Might start again in February, but will be different and need volunteers to help.

Post 164 Executive Committee Meeting is February 10, 2021

District 22 DEC meeting is February 21, 2021 at Post 164, all members are welcome.

Next Post Membership Meeting is February 24, 2021

Sponsorship Program was approved, need a Chairperson, Ed Sweat was a recommendation.

VA PTSD Group meets at our Post on each Monday from 1:00 to about 2:30pm

Bingo License for our Post is still in progress.

All ideas for community events, future First Responders Meals, and New Membership programs, Please direct them to our 2^{nd} Vice Commander.

Officer election nominations, get them to Chairman Forrest Croom.

Membership Committee needs more volunteers, soon they will have their meetings after the Post Membership Meetings when possible.

Replacement to the Executive Committee was Ed Sweat

First Responders Awards will be presented at the February Membership Meeting.

Next Month training by Wayne Keen at Dignity Funeral Services.

The Good of The American Legion

Just keep looking for new Veterans to become members of our Post.

If no further business our Chaplain will offer a closing prayer.

Sergeant at Arms, recovers the POW/MIA Flag.

Post Commander, I now declare this meeting adjourned at 9:32pm

William Kennison Adjutant James McGuire Commander